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TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, MRS. HENRY A.)
SUBJECT: VISIT OF MRS. HENRY KISSINGER

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1. WHEN I ADVISED MRS. MARCOS OF THE IMPENDING VISIT OF MESDAMES KISSINGER AND MAGINNIS, SHE SEEMED SLIGHTLY NON-PLUSED, SINCE, AS SHE SAID, THE PRESIDENT AND SHE WOULD BE LEAVING TOWN SEPTEMBER 9. WHEN I CONFIRMED THAT THE LADIES WOULD BE IN MANILA FROM SEPTEMBER 7-10, SHE EXPRESSED REGRET THAT SHE WOULD MISS THEM AND SUGGESTED THAT THEY STAY AT HER GUEST HOUSE ON THE PALACE GROUNDS WHERE THEY WOULD BE MOST COMFORTABLE. I MENTIONED THAT THEY ALREADY HAVE RESERVATIONS AT THE MANILA HOTEL, A FAVORITE PROJECT OF MRS. MARCOS, AND WE LEFT IT THAT I WOULD CONVEY THE INVITATION.

2. COMMENT: SEPTEMBER 11 IS PRESIDENT MARCOS' SIXTIETH BIRTHDAY WHICH, ACCORDING TO MRS. MARCOS, IS A BIG EVENT IN ORIENTAL SOCIETY AND PRESAGES A VENERABLE LIFE FOR THOSE WHO REACH THAT AUSPICIOUS NUMBER. I BELIEVE HE AND MRS. MARCOS ARE PLANNING TO BE IN ILOCOS FOR THE BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS. MRS. MARCOS APPARENTLY EXPECTS TO BE TOO PREOCCUPIED JUST BEFORE DEPARTURE TO BE A PROPER HOST.
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3. RECOMMENDATION: THAT WE BE AUTHORIZED TO DECLINE MRS. MARCOS' INVITATION FOR THE USE OF HER GUEST HOUSE.

4. WHEN FOREIGN SECRETARY ROMULO HEARD THAT MRS. KISSINGER WOULD BE IN TOWN, HE ELPT AT THE OPPORTUNITY "TO EXPRESS HIS GREAT RESPECT FOR DR. KISSINGER" AND TO

INVITE THE LADIES TO A DINNER HE IS GIVING SEPTEMBER 8 FOR THE U.S. AND ASEAN DELEGATIONS. ROMULO BRUSHED ASIDE MY SUGGESTION THAT THE LADIES ARE INTERESTED IN A LOW-KEY AND LOW-PROFILE VISIT.

5. COMMENT: ROMULO'S INTEREST IN INCLUDING MRS. KISSINGER ("I'LL HAVE HER AT THE HEAD TABLE, OF COURSE") AND MRS. MAGINNIS SEEMED QUITE SINCERE. PERHAPS THIS WOULD BE AN OCCASION FOR THE LADIES TO CHECK OUT THE LOCAL SOCIAL SCENE. ON THE OTHER HAND, I WOULD NOT HESITATE TO MAKE APOLOGIES IN THEIR BEHALF.

6. RECOMMENDATION: THAT WE BE AUTHORIZED TO ACCEPT ROMULO'S INVITATION FOR DINNER ON SEPTEMBER 8.

7. UNLESS THE LADIES ARE MUCH MORE INTERESTED IN PUNISHING SOCIAL ROUTINE THAN WE ASSUME, I WOULD PLAN TO MAKE UNDER SECRETARY COOPER'S RETURN DINNER SEPTEMBER 9 STAG.

8. PLEASE ADVISE, AND THANKS FOR REFTEL.
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